

The 2019 goal for D11NR is 5,000 VSC's. We are 24% of our goal for the year and 82% of 2018 production at this time. The data source is AUXINFO*. Additional stats from AUXINFO* indicates that 1,097 or 92% have passed the VSC, 500 or 41% are First Time VSC's, and 362 or 30% are High Risk VSC's. In addition 418 Paddlecraft VSC's have been performed, which is approximately 35% of our total VSC production. We currently have 200 ACTIVE Vessel Examiners(VE's)* *Statistics as shown in AUXINFO thru June 3, 2019



Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following member(s) who have achieved the **20+ VSC** plateau for **2019**. This brings our total to **15** examiners for **2019** and are part of an elite groupapproximately **7%** of our D11NR Vessel Examiner membership of **200**. These member(s) have received special recognition and their names are listed on the member recognition page: page: <u>http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html</u>

Randy R. Tan	04-06	Brian W. Babcock	06-04
Joseph R. Chavoen	10-03	Laurence M. Boag	12-01

VSC Questions

-These are actual questions from VE Exam Version "E" dated 2014. Answers can be found in another location in the report.

1. For award of the VSC decal, the minimum number and size of the fire extinguishers required aboard recreational boats is determined by the vessel's:

- a. Length.
- b. Propulsion method.
- c. Construction (open or closed).
- d. All of the choices.

2. When awarding a VSC decal on a paddle craft, which statement regarding placement of the decal is NOT true?

- a. It should be placed near the HIN.
- b. Place decal where it can easily be seen.
- c. Make sure it is affixed in the presence of the VE.
- d. Should be placed on port side, forward of amidships.

<u> Calendar </u>

Additional events may be found by clicking on the calendar link on the D11NR VE website: <u>http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html</u>

PCA Training Fair Sept 21st-22nd

District and National News

District News

-<u>NEW</u>-VSC's ON RENTALS-At the request of Commodore Kirkwood, and after 18years, the VSC Rental Program has been updated for 2019 and moving forward. *ANYONE* who performs rental VSC's on PWC's, fishing boats, houseboats,

paddlecraft, etc. needs to be aware of the new changes after 1 June 2019. Please go to the D11NR Vessel Examiner (VE) website: <u>http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html</u> and review ML-1 thru ML-5 and closely review and follow the instructions as <u>ALL</u> of these forms have been revised and approved by DCO Kirkwood.

Any 2019 currently signed agreements will be acceptable, but a copy must be emailed to the DSO-VE. Billy Ray, ADSO-VE will be administering this program, but if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. Source: Mike Lauro DSO-VE



-Our Vessel Examiner (VE) active database dropped to 200 active examiners, with 101 in REYR. The active total is approximately 13% of our D11NR membership.

-This is a reminder that if you have not completed the Introduction to Risk Management course #100202 by 30 April 2019, you are now in **REYR**.

You must take the course to be removed from **REYR** status before any credit can be given for your VSC activities.

The course is not a pass or fail course, and it takes 90 minutes and using AUXLMS will automatically record the course. If you've never logged into AUXLMS, here is a link to instructions and video: <u>http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=T-DEPT&category=auxlms</u>. To access either, you must click on the word "here" and you will need to create 14 character password. Please do not delay if you plan to participate in NSBW activities. If you require additional assistance, please contact your FC or FSO-MT.

-Just a reminder, per the 2015 Vessel Examiner (VE) workshop, paddlecraft VSC's DO NOT count toward the initial VE qualification or requalification. The VSC may be performed a sailboat, powerboat or PWC.

-For Coast Guard liability insurance purposes, PRIOR to leaving the house for ANY VSC activity other than to participate at an organized station, PLEASE remember to notify a member of the flotilla leadership (FC, VFC, and FSO-VE) of your planned activity.

The notification could be in the form of an email, text message or a phone call. In the unlikely event of an incident, be prepared to provide proof of the notification. In addition, per the new VSC Manual please remember, you also need to be in uniform and if boarding a vessel you need to be wearing a lifejacket. VE Test Question Answers 1. "D" pg 3-5 2."B" pg 5-2

-PLEASE do NOT wear boots to climb aboard a vessel to perform a VSC. Our program allows for deck shoes, white or black tennis/walking with soft soles. If this is not an option, please consider purchasing disposal shoe/boot covers available at any the paint or hardware dept. at Wal-Mart, Lowes, Home Depot, etc, a package of 6 for under \$10.

-A special request from the Director's office; PLEASE have the qualifying members 7038 with the 5 VSC's entered into AUXDATA by the FSO/SO-IS <u>PRIOR</u> to submission of the MT-2 to the Director's office.

<u> Wational News</u>

-A new 4 slide PDF power point on the new lifejacket labeling has been recently released by National. Please go to the D11NR Vessel Examiner(VE) website: <u>http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html</u> under HOTLINE MESSAGES and take a few minutes to review the new changes.

Did you know that the average person falls asleep in 7-minutes!



Let's work together for our safety and the safety of others by setting an example and wear our lifejackets while performing VSC's especially when working around docks and when climbing aboard large vessels!





